

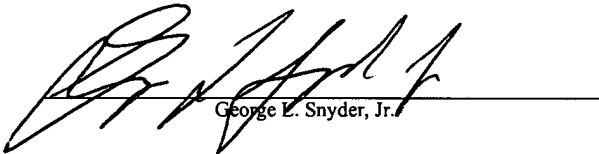


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT COOPERATION TREATY**

Applicant(s): Andreas METELSKI et al. Atty Ref: 288.999651  
 Serial No.: 09/423916 Group Art Unit: 3632  
 Filing Date: 28-Feb-2000 Examiner: Steven Marsh  
 Title: MICROSCOPE STAND, ESPECIALLY FOR A SURGICAL MICROSCOPE  
 (as amended)

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8

I hereby certify that this Petition for Extension of Time and accompanying items mentioned herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on August 23, 2001 in an envelope addressed to: Box Response - Fee, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.


 A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George L. Snyder, Jr." followed by a signature line.

George L. Snyder, Jr.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ 110.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$ 380.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$ 870.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1,360.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$1,850.00

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, therefore the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_. A small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.  
 has already been filed in this application.

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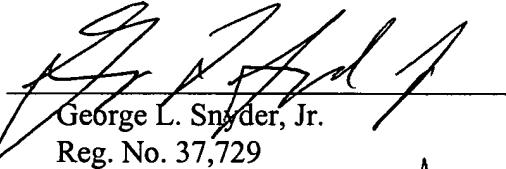
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0822. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,

SIMPSON, SIMPSON & SNYDER, PLLC

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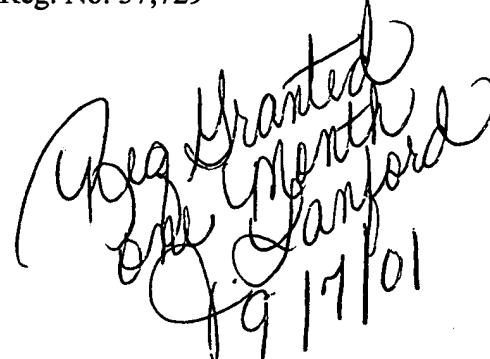


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Aug 23 granted  
one month  
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Dated: August 23, 2001